



## NOVEMBER 2020- MOST INNOVATIVE PLAYER FAFSA BEST PRACTICES WEBINAR

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# Tanque Verde High School

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FAFSA Best Practices

12/15/20



*This was  
the start of  
our love of  
FAFSA  
videos*



# About Tanque Verde High School

- Tucson, AZ
- Total Enrollment: 620
- Senior Enrollment: 135



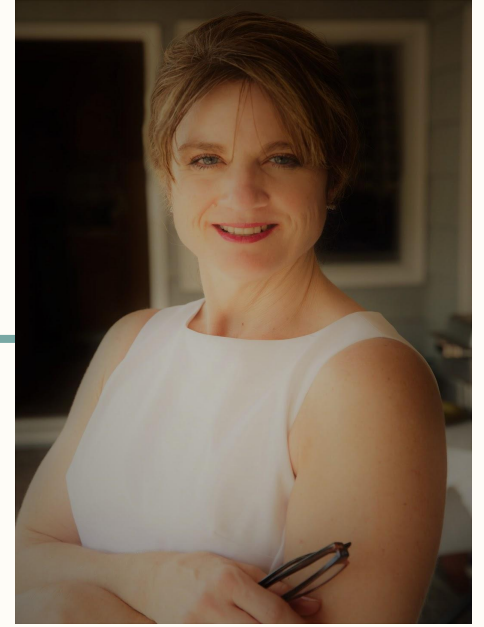


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## School Counseling Team



Dr. Amy Cislak

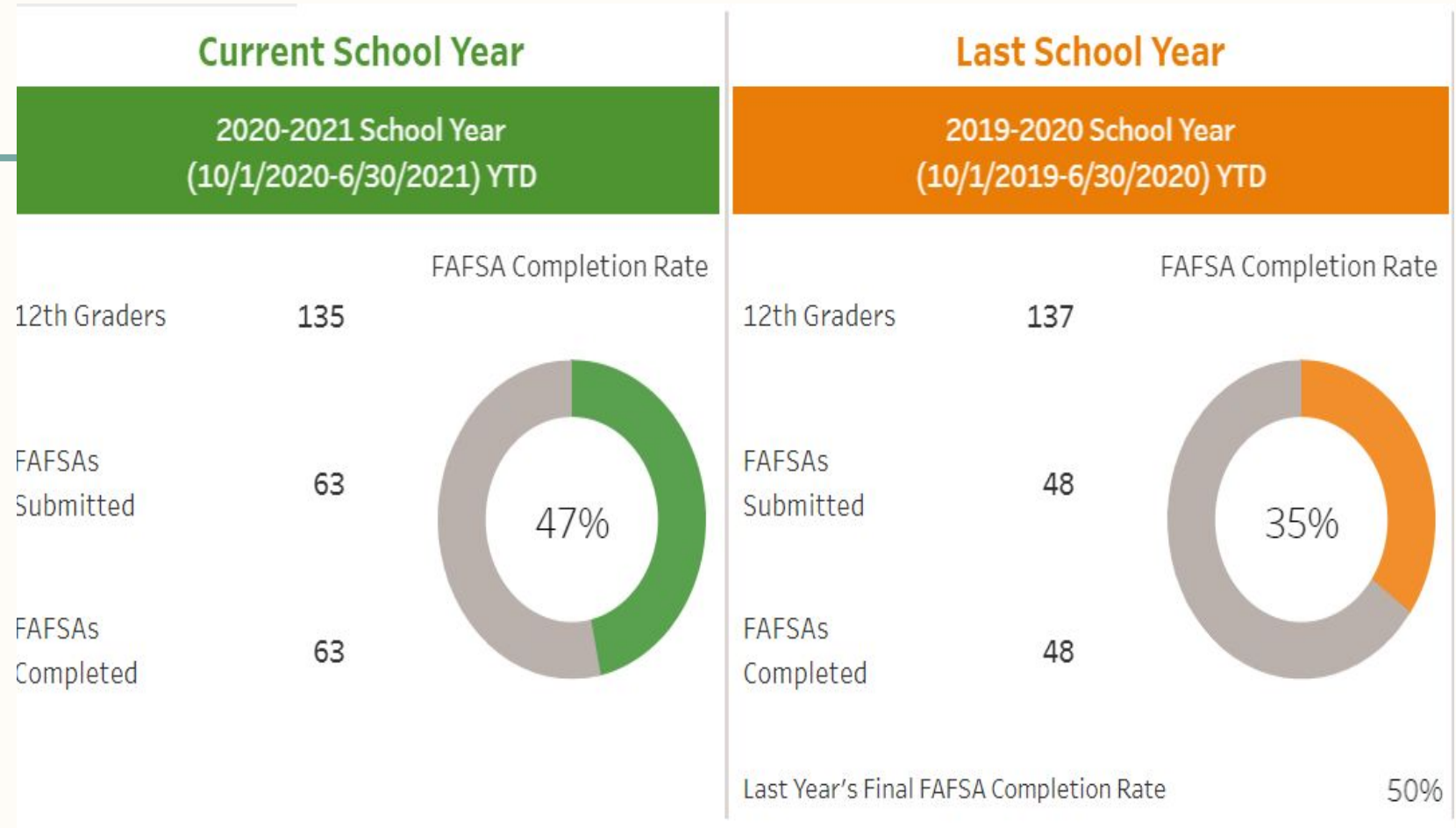


Meg Siath

Noemi Rodriguez- Virtual  
Advisor



As of 12/11/20



\*\*\*\*Now have 70 completed and submitted as of 12/11/20





# Create a Timeline



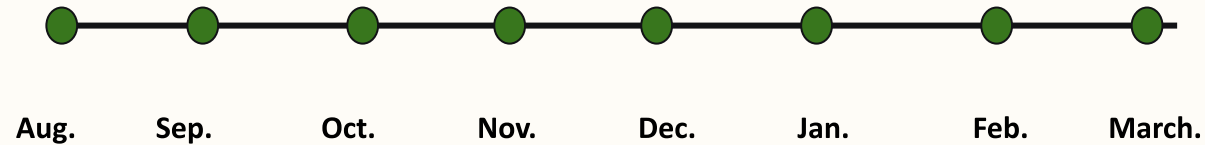
Start Early

Create a Goal- WIN!

Create a Timeline



**IT TAKES A  
TEAM**



**All Seniors  
SHOULD  
Complete FAFSA**

Do  
I have  
to?

"It takes too long"  
"I don't qualify"  
"I make too much money"

**YES**

- A. You may still receive Grants
- B. It is required for some college applications
- C. It is required for many scholarship applications

**Don't miss opportunities!**  
COMPLETE THE FAFSA TODAY  
FAFSA.com





- Use of Google Counselor Classroom
- Begin Promoting During Senior Night Information Workshop
- College/Career Readiness Workshops
- Promote in Counselors' Corner (newsletter)
- Mandatory Senior Check-Ins August thru October
- FAFSA 101 Webinar
- Creation of FAFSA Videos




















- Use of Remind
- Use of Ask Benji
- Push Out Through Social Media
  - Facebook, Instagram, Twitter
- Incentives
  - Some examples: college swag, 3 month long FAFSA raffle (October-December), bonus points to use in Social Studies



# Material in Google Classroom

## FAFSA Info

	Holiday FAFSA Video!!!!	Edited Dec 6
	Need help with filling out or submitting the ...	Posted Nov 5
	FAFSA labs in Nov and Dec!	Posted Nov 4
	Financial Aid Bootcamp 10/20-10/21	Posted Oct 15
	FAFSA Vocab!	Posted Oct 8
	U of A FAFSA Help for Students/Guardians	Posted Oct 5
	FAFSA video from your school counselors!!	Edited Oct 1
	Help Filling Out FAFSA on 10/1	Posted Sep 28
	Reminder- GET YOUR FSI ID	Posted Sep 17
	College Depot Free Virtual Assistance for F...	Posted Sep 16
	Free FAFSA Resources	Posted Sep 10
	Step by Step FAFSA Instructions	Posted Sep 7
	Create your FSA ID  1	Due Sep 28
	FAFSA	Edited Aug 22

- **Seniors- Ask Benji-** Having trouble with FAFSA or enrolling in college? Ask Benji is a chatbot that can help answer your questions! Here is a short video and informational flyer explaining about using it. TVHS is excited we will have this available to our Senior families starting next week. [Video](#), [Flyer](#)
- **Seniors!!!!!!! It is now FAFSA Frenzy time! Time to get those FAFSA's done!!!**
  - Currently, we have 56 seniors who have submitted their FAFSA! Way to go!
  - TVHS is competing in a **FAFSA Challenge** this year! Did you know? [FAFSA Facts](#)
    - Each month those who submitted their FAFSA app will be entered into a drawing for prizes! Our first drawing was held 11/9 and we gave away a \$50 gift card to Fleet Feet and two gift cards to Defy!
    - Our next raffle will be held in December so get those FAFSAs submitted by the end of November to be eligible for the drawing!
- **Seniors-** FAFSA Priority Deadlines for U of A, ASU, NAU [Dates](#)
- **Seniors- Need help with the FAFSA?**
  - FAFSA labs are a way to support you in completing the FAFSA application from College Depot! Every Tuesday through December! [Flyer](#)
  - Here is a free FAFSA hotline! Project Benjamin and Access ASU have created a free hotline for students who need college advising and FAFSA support. The hotline is available to call Monday through Friday between 8 AM and 5 PM.
    - **English: 1-833-AZFAFSA (293-2372)**
    - **Spanish: 1-833-MIFAFSA (643-2372)**



# Steps for Filling out a FAFSA

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## Before Starting A FAFSA

Get organized.

- Determine your dependency status..
- FAFSA on the web worksheet.
- Search for school codes.
- Students and parents apply for a PIN.
- Check application deadline dates.

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## Filling Out A FAFSA

Fill out the application.

- Fill out your FAFSA.
- Open your saved FAFSA or correction application.
- Sign electronically with your PIN.

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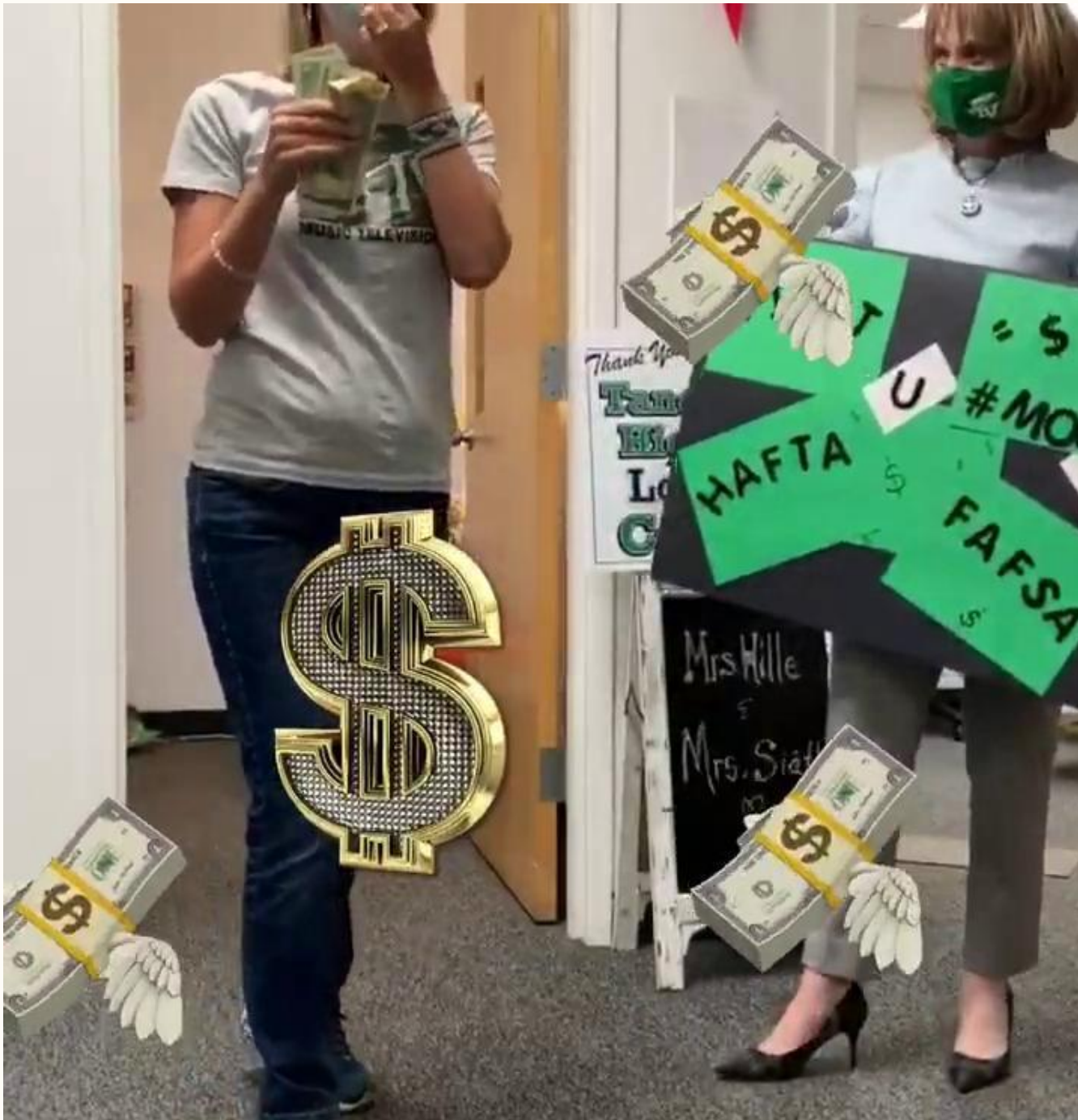
## FAFSA Follow-Up

View your results online.

- Check status of a submitted FAFSA or print signature page.
- Make corrections to a processed FAFSA.
- Add or delete a school code.
- View and print your student aid report.



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## FAFSA Friday

- Reminder from your Counselors
- First you have to FAFSA



# FAFSA Fridays

- **FAFSA Fiesta-** Hit the Pinata if you completed your FAFSA
- **FAFSA College Spirit-** Wear your college T-Shirt on Friday
- **FAFSA SWAG-** FAFSA T-shirts
- **FAFSA Friday-** join CTE fair, pass out PSAT booklets, share FAFSA knowledge
- Counselor videos posted on Fridays
- Faculty and staff support



# Family Engagement

On Thu, Nov 19, 2020 at 8:27 PM Sarah Hargis <[shargis@tanq.org](mailto:shargis@tanq.org)> wrote:  
The family that FAFSA's together....



Have a good night!


Sarah

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FAFSA's together...**



# Knowledge in College and Career Workshops on Fridays

[FAFSA Presentation](#)



**Free  
College  
and  
FAFSA  
Advising  
Hotline**

We are still here for Arizona students and families. Call us Monday–Friday, 8 a.m. – 5 p.m. for free support with FAFSA completion, college applications and next steps for enrollment.

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A visit to Prescott,  
NAU campus, U of  
A campus, a  
virtual visit with  
an ASU student  
and Regis  
University  
students

# Some Videos We Have Done



Downloaded from <http://ajph.org/> on November 10, 2015

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Meg Siath



# FAFSA Fridays with Benji



Just text **"Help"**  
to **602.786.8171**  
to get started.





# Student and Parent Testimonials



# Capture your audience

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Friends FAFSA





# Offer Incentives





